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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

The Deputy Director

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FROM:

John L. Helgerson

Director of Congressional Affairs

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SUBJECT:

Weekly Report

Status of New Oversight Legislation: This week the Senate Intelligence Committee formally sent the Boren/Cohen bill to the full Senate by a favorable vote of 13-2. It is not yet clear when the Senate will debate and vote on the measure; however, since co-sponsors Boren and Cohen will be heavily occupied in INF hearings for the next couple of weeks, it appears unlikely that there will be floor action before the end of February. Meanwhile, an interagency group including CIA representatives met with the House Intelligence Committee staff this week to go through the Stokes bill on oversight section-by-section and convey the Administration's initial views on the bill.

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Statutory Inspector General: We have begun preparations for your testimony before the Senate Intelligence Committee on or about 24 February concerning Senator Specter's bill to establish a statutory Inspector General within the Agency. plan to meet with representatives of the FBI to ascertain how a similar move was staved off a few years ago, and we will also contact the Departments of State and Defense to learn what their experience has been with the statutory Inspector Generals 25X1 established there. Polygraph Bill: The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee cancelled its January 27th markup of S. 1906, a bill to ban the private use of polygraphs. The action was prompted by a threat from Senator Quayle to offer an amendment striking from the bill that section which exempts from coverage under the bill the Agency's polygraph program (as well as others in the Intelligence Community). Quayle's motive was purely a tactical one: to make the bill so unpalatable to the Administration and others as to doom any chances for further action. He does not oppose the Agency exemption on the Future Committee action on the bill is uncertain at 25X1 this time. cc: DDO DDI DDS&T DDA 25X1 (29 Jan 88) D/OCA/JLH: Distribution: Original - Addressees 3 - EXDIR 1 - General Counsel 1 - Inspector General 1 - Comptroller 1 - C/NIC1 - D/ICS 1 - D/PAO

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